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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hidenori KAWANISHI et al. Conf No.: 9854
Appl. No.: 09/466,174 Group: 2881
Filed: December 17, 1999 Examiner: Menefee
For: SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE WITH SPOT-SIZE
CONVERTER AND METHOD FOR BARBICATING THE
SAME

DRAWING CORRECTION APPROVAL REQUEST

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks

October 12, 2001

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's approval of the drawing corrections shown in red ink on the attached sheets as follows:

- (1) Please cancel the reference character "201" in Figure 7A.
- (2) Please label Figures 7A and 7B as "Prior Art".

No new matter has been added by these changes. These drawing changes will be implemented into formal drawings by Applicants' bonded draftsperson upon approval by the Examiner and subsequent allowance of the application.

CONCLUSION

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Elliot A. Goldberg (Reg. No. 33,347) at the telephone number of (703) 205-8000, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

9/14/letter to
the Drawsperson
10/25/01
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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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